

METRO COUNCIL COMMITTEE MINUTES

SPECIAL Public Safety Committee

Tuesday, December 16, 2008

3:04 P.M.

Third Floor, City Hall

Present:

Chairman: CM Heiner

Members: CM Peden & CM Blackwell

Absent:

CW Flood & CW Woolridge (excused absences)

Chairman Heiner announced the members of the committee that were present. A quorum was established.

THIS IS A SPECIAL MEETING

Special Items For Discussion

- 1- [Continued Discussion on the current state of drug sales, use, and abuse, in Louisville Metro - How do we compare with past years presented by Louisville Metro Police Department.](#)

CM Heiner thanked the Louisville Metro Police Department (LMPD) for returning to the committee for continued discussion on the current state of drug sales use/abuse. He mentioned the problems previously discussed and the Departments return to discuss LMPD's response to deter the use/abuse of drugs within the Louisville Metro Area. Lt. Col. Troy Riggs, Louisville Metro Police Department, along with Lt. Ricky Brewer & Sgt. Stan Salyards of the Narcotics Division were present. The following was discussed:

- Narcotics
 - Opened 3000 cases; Arrested 1300
- Top abused drugs
 - Marijuana
 - Prescription Drugs
 - Crack/Cocaine
 - Methamphetamines
- Community Outreach
 - Programs with goals of crime reduction and fear of crime reduction
 - Tools of outreach
 - Use the media
 - Television
 - Newspapers
 - Internet
 - Tip Line 574-LMPD
- Working with Social Services to get folks off drugs and keep them off drugs
 - Reducing Serious Violent Partnerships
 - Program since 2005
 - 335 participants
 - 46% return to jail/prison
 - 9% new criminal convictions
 - 3 were killed
- Breaking the cycle of drug use & abuse
 - Expanding programs to juveniles
- Programs to understand meth use
 - Community meetings, training and informing the public
 - Use of School Resource officers

- Citizens/youth police academies
- Police activities leagues community
- Overview on meth
 - Growing popularity
 - Increase on meth labs
 - Meth check system with a stop sale
 - Education
 - First responders
 - Training neighborhoods
 - Awareness Rx
 - Work with sister counties and their pharmacies, including 3 Indiana counties
 - Meth lab dump sites;
 - group clean ups and educating them of what to look for and be aware of
 - check the LMPD website
- State level effort on medicine regulations
 - Work to press the General Assembly

2- [State Fire Fighter Training Program](#)

Lt. Col. Albert Tronzo, Louisville Fire & Rescue, spoke on the State Incentive Pay Program for firefighter training. The following was discussed:

- Required training
- Technology advancements forcing training
- Ever changing duties of a fire-fighter
- Haz-mat response
- Emergency Medical Services (EMS) support with response
- National EMS training compliance with Homeland Security
- OSHA standards
- Outside vs. In-house training
- Encouraged 2 hours of training per day
 - training while on the clock

Pending Legislation

3- [R-208-12-08 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ACCEPT ON BEHALF OF THE LOUISVILLE METRO POLICE DEPARTMENT DONATIONS TOTALING AN ESTIMATED VALUE OF \\$1,039,500.00.](#)

Status: In-Committee
Committee: Public Safety
Primary Sponsor: Robert Henderson

Motion to approve made by Rick Blackwell and seconded by James Peden

Discussion – Lt. Col. Troy Riggs, Louisville Metro Police Department, stated the donations received by LMPD were for Insight Cable Public Service Announcements in the estimated value of \$1,033,500 & Maloney Outdoor Advertising for billboard space in the estimated value of \$6,000. The donations promoted the Departments Tip Line, 502-574-LMPD.

Without objection, the item was sent to the **CONSENT CALENDAR** for the 12/18/08 Metro Council Meeting.

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[R-210-12-08 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ACCEPT A GRANT FROM THE KENTUCKY DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY IN THE AMOUNT OF \\$14,500.59 THROUGH THE LOUISVILLE FIRE DEPARTMENT TO SUPPORT THE PURCHASE OF RELATED EQUIPMENT UTILIZED IN SEARCH AND RESCUE OPERATIONS AND HAZARDOUS MATERIAL RESPONSES.](#)

Status: In-Committee

Committee: Public Safety

Primary Sponsor: Madonna Flood

Motion to approve made by Rick Blackwell and seconded by James Peden

Discussion – Lt. Col. Albert Tronzo, Louisville Fire & Rescue, stated this was additional funding from the Kentucky Department of Homeland Security was for the Louisville Urban Search & Rescue Team purchase of expendable equipment related to concrete cutting, concrete drilling and others items to be used for quarterly training programs.

Without objection, the item was sent to the **CONSENT CALENDAR** for the 12/18/08 Metro Council Meeting.

Motion to adjourn made by Rick Blackwell; without objection, the meeting adjourned at 4:10PM
KLP

***NOTE: Items sent to the Consent Calendar or Old Business will be heard before the full Council at the Metro Council Meeting, December 18, 2008.**